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**FOREIGN MINISTER OF LIBERIA TO RECEIVE AWARD  
AT USD 50TH ANNIVERSARY BLACK TIE GALA**

Monie R. Captan, Minister of Foreign Affairs (Secretary of State) of the Republic of Liberia, will be one of five recipients honored at the fifth annual *Author E. Hughes Career Achievement Awards* dinner on Saturday, May 1, 6:00 p.m., at the downtown San Diego Hyatt Regency.

Captan (USD class of '85 & '87) is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Liberia, where he recently served as an active lecturer of International Relations in the Department of Political Science. Captan is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Liberia Petroleum Refining Company. He is the Head of Delegation of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), General Assembly, United Nations (UN) and the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

In addition to Captan, the other 1999 award recipients are Lorenzo Fertitta ('91) President and CEO, Gordon Biersch Brewing Company; Michael T. Thorsnes ('68) Founding Partner, Thorsnes, Bartolotta, McGuire & Padilla; Dr. Daniel Gross ('97) CEO, Sharp Memorial Hospitals and Kimberlee Jubala ('90) Educator, San Diego Unified School District.

The *Author E. Hughes Career Achievement Awards* honors USD alumni who have accomplished outstanding success or achievement in their career fields. Five alumni from each of the five schools -- Arts & Sciences, Business, Education, Law and Nursing -- are presented a medallion by the dean of their respective school. Honorees are selected after a nomination process by alumni, administrators and faculty.

For reservation/ticket information, please call the Office of Alumni Relations (619) 260-4819.